(Your Highness,)

I have taken the liberty of writing to Your Highness on a subject that closely concerns the future happiness of my brother's son Jaya. He will soon be completing his ~~eighteenth~~ year and finishing his course of studies in the Mysore University by sitting for the B.A. Degree examination in March next. I have been anxious that he should marry and conservative in my views as I have been, I feel that he should marry a good girl ~~belonging to~~ a good Rajput Family. Jaya has seen a few girls, ~~one of whom is~~ the ~~third~~ unmarried sister of His Highness the Maharaja Arimardansingh of Charkari, who was adopted from the Jigni family.

The girl's mother is the Rani of Jigni. I learn that one of her daughters has married the brother of the Maharaja of Jaipur and ~~the other~~ the late Maharaja of Chattarpur. It is the ~~third~~ daughter aged about ~~fourteen~~ years that we are thinking of for Jaya. Jaya likes the girl and has expressed his willingness to marry her. Before giving my consent to the marriage, I thought I should seek Your Highness's advice. Not knowing the history of the Charkari family except what may be gathered from the books on Indian States, I have ventured to write to Your Highness, ~~who has been~~ the valued friend and well wisher of myself and my family ~~for many many years, to kindly~~ favour me with your frank ~~and sincere~~ opinion ~~regarding~~ the proposed alliance. Are they pure Rajputs and are the two families mentioned above held in high esteem in Rajputana? ~~It would be~~

very awkward, nay difficult, nay delicate, ~~on my part~~ to enquire if the girl is healthy; I am only asking for such information as may be possible for Your Highness to give me on this point. You can of course realise my anxiety about the health of the girl whom Jaya will marry. I need not say how very grateful I shall be for your ~~friendly~~ brotherly counsel in this all important matter. ~~Even~~ If Your Highness does not intimately know the families, it may not be difficult for Your Highness to make enquiries & thus get ~~necessary~~ ~~information which would~~ help me to come to a decision? I may assure Your Highness that whatever you may write to me on this subject will ~~be treated~~ as absolutely secret.

So however that ~~unfortunately~~ even then may ~~even~~ time

When may I have the great pleasure of welcoming you brother to Mysore again? It is ~~ages~~ since we have met and Your Highness's visit ~~to Mysore~~ has long been deferred.

Hoping Your Highness is in the best of health and with kindest regards,

(Ever Yours very sincerely,)